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MEMORANDUM FOR: Executive Officer, DD/S&T

SUBJECT : Unified Plan for Scientific and Analysis Advisory  
Boards

1. I am trying to clear the decks of all action items before a few days leave and find there are still some incompleted items regarding panels.

2. The Strategic Weapons Intelligence Panel is all wrapped up and in fact a first meeting of the group is scheduled for 8, 9, and 10 September. I still do not have a commitment to serve as a member or to attend the first meeting from three of the ten members, all of whom are on vacation, but all have received letters requesting their services and the secretaries have been advised of the meeting dates. The seven remaining members have accepted the request to be on the Panel and further have agreed to attend the first meeting. I am leaving the primary responsibility for arrangements to the GMAIC Secretariat should there be questions while I am away.

3. With regard to a Space Panel, I have not wrapped up the action since I believe we all agree that we should get the NASA Panel business squared away before wrapping this one up. I would hope we could arrange a discussion with Bud soon after my return from leave. The interaction between the NASA Panels and a Director's Panel on Space must be clearly defined or we are apt to get more headaches than help.

4. As to the NASA Panels I am attaching a copy of "Suggested CIA Panel Members" which I received from OSI. I must admit I am not quite sure who has the action, but believe  received OSI's list and may have had some conversation with them. The OSI

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suggestions are not consistent with what I understood we had agreed to do. In my view, the primary requirement now is to advise NASA of the senior CIA officials who will serve as points of contact for each of the eight panels. Naturally, each of these officials may wish to delegate some of the work to subordinates, but I think it is undesirable to identify these individuals. In fact, I would think it likely that these individuals will change, depending on the topics to be covered in a given panel session. As to the FMSAC personnel who might serve as senior officials responsible for a panel, Dr. Wheelon had told me that I should assume responsibility for the Launch and Test Facilities group and had further selected [redacted] to handle the one on Launch Vehicles. I would certainly agree to [redacted] assisting with the Lunar and Planetary Probes Panel, but would not feel it appropriate to designate him to NASA since he is not a staff employee.

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5. In view of the fact that there appears to be some difference of views as to the appropriate procedure, it again may be necessary to have a discussion with Bud before a follow-up letter to NASA is prepared. [redacted] is fully familiar with this subject and would be happy to discuss it with you if desired.

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<p>The contents of the attached memo from Duckett on the "Unified Plan for Scientific and Analysis Advisory Boards" indicates to me, insofar as the proposed NASA Panels are involved, that you may well wish to take personal action on this. I have done nothing, since receipt of this letter, about talking to Carl or Don on it because if I understand [redacted] correctly, he leads me to believe that you have recently addressed yourself to this issue in such fashion that your enthusiasm to proceed on it may have somewhat cooled.</p>											
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